

STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: According to Momcology, a national support network consisting of thousands of parents who have

children diagnosed with cancer, childhood cancer is the number one killer disease in the United

States, affecting nearly 15,000 young people each year; and

WHEREAS: Cancer kills 1 in 5 affected children, and two out of every three of childhood cancer patients will

suffer lasting chronic health conditions from their treatment, including secondary cancers; and

WHEREAS: Childhood cancer occurs regularly, randomly, and spares no ethnic group, socioeconomic class, or

geographic region. In the United States, the evidence of cancer among adolescents and young adults is increasing at a rate greater than any age group, except those over the age of 65; and

WHEREAS: Despite this, childhood cancer research and treatment is vastly and consistently underfunded; and

WHEREAS: Every September, America renews its commitment to curing childhood cancer and offering

support and awareness to the brave young people who are fighting this disease; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota Momcology is dedicated to helping Minnesota children and their families affected by

childhood cancer; and

WHEREAS: Momcology was created with the vision to connect, support, encourage, and empower families

with children fighting cancer.

 $NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK\ DAYTON, Governor\ of\ Minnesota,\ do\ hereby\ proclaim\ the\ month\ of\ September,\ 2018\ as:$

MINNESOTA CHILDHOOD CANCER ÁWARENESS MONTH

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 6^{th} day of September.



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SECRETARY OF STATE